



**Benefiting:**



**Big Brothers Big Sisters**  
of South Texas

### 2009 Rules:

1. **SPORTSMANSHIP AND THE LAW:** Any participant who displays poor sportsmanship, violates these rules, or violates any local, state or federal law is subject to disqualification. All participants must have a valid State of Texas Fishing License.
2. **ELIGIBILITY:** All men and women regardless of age may participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "HOOKED ON" Fishing Tournament. At least (1) member of each team must attend the VIP party to register your team but all members are encouraged to attend. **No Professional fishing guides allowed to fish!**
3. **BOUNDARIES:** Texas State waters only.
4. **SAFETY:** Safe boating practices must be in effect at all times. Drunkenness on the part of any contestant will not be tolerated.
5. **TACKLE:** Artificial, cut and/or live bait may be used. Only rod and reel outfits may be used.
6. **FISH CATEGORIES**  
Individual Slot Red Fish (3 Places)  
Individual Speckled Trout (3 Places)
7. **ENTRIES:** All sponsorships must be paid by April 1, 2009 to be guaranteed participation although registrations will be accepted until 9:00 pm on April 17, 2009 pending availability at the VIP Party. Registration is not complete until all fees have been paid and at least (1) team member has register your team at the VIP Party.
8. **REGISTRATION:** All Teams must complete the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "HOOKED ON" Fishing Tournament registration form by April 1, 2009 unless they plan to register on-site:
  - o **Mail to:** Big Brothers Big Sisters, 1621 Mesquite, Unit C, Corpus Christi, TX 78401.
  - o Registration online will be available at [www.bigmentor.org](http://www.bigmentor.org). Registration is not complete until payment is received. At least 1 team member must attend the VIP party and sign in.
  - o Participant shall have drivers license/ID in hand upon arrival at VIP Party and at the Weigh-in.
  - o Once the screener has checked for accuracy you will be granted entry.
9. **TEAM SPONSORSHIP:** Sponsorships for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "HOOKED ON" Fishing Tournament will be \$400.00 per team. Each sponsorship is limited to one (1) boat with four (4) anglers. Sponsor company names will be displayed on the Sponsorship board on the main stage.
10. **TENT/BOOTH SPONSORSHIP:** Tent/Booth Sponsorships are available on a limited basis for \$250.00 and Little Fish Sponsors are \$1500. All Sponsorships must be paid by April 1, 2009. Each Little Minnow Sponsor will receive one (1) fishing team. Booth and Little Minnow Sponsors will be allowed to provide free food and/or beverages or approved products at their both during the VIP Party and the Weigh-in Party. Booth and Little Minnow sponsors may also sell approved products.
11. **FRAUDULENT ENTRIES:** Sponsors are responsible for eligibility of participants. Any Sponsor submitting a fraudulent entry will lose tournament sponsorship indefinitely. The Sponsor will be responsible for all entries.



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12. **DOOR PRIZES:** Door prizes will be given away every 30 minutes during the VIP Party and Raffle items/Silent Auction Items will have a minimum retail value of \$100. Your company will be identified as the sponsor of that prize. You may donate your own prize or submit a check for \$100.00 and the "HOOKED ON" Fishing Committee will purchase a prize worth \$100.00 or more in your company's name. Winners must be present to win. Door Prizes may also be used as drop box raffle items unless otherwise prohibited by the sponsoring company or the BBBS fishing committee.
13. **FISHING HOURS:** Fishing hours will begin 12:01 a.m. on April 18, 2009 and conclude at 3:30 p.m. It is the responsibility of each Participant to understand and abide by the prescribed fishing hours and weigh-in times, as they will be strictly enforced. The weigh-in Committee at the weigh-in site will keep official time.
14. **SCALE WEIGH-IN:** No weigh-ins will be accepted after the time scheduled (3:30 p.m.).
15. **TIES:** In the event of a tie in any category, the length of the fish that is weighed will prevail. In the event that there is still a tie, the first fish weighed will prevail. All decisions by Weigh Master are final.
16. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE OF ANGLER:** As with any recreational activity, participation in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "HOOKED ON" Fishing Tournament presents a certain degree of risk of personal injury. By electing to participate in the tournament, each participant agrees to assume such risk. In consideration for being permitted to participate in the tournament and/or the related VIP Party, and by so participating, each participant additionally agrees, individually and for such participant's heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assignees, that he/she shall hold harmless and indemnify fully, and does thereby release, acquit and forever discharge, Big Brothers Big Sisters, its affiliates, agents, representatives, officers, directors, employees and sponsors from any and all claims, causes of action, demands, rights, damages and losses which may accrue on account of, or in any way arise from, his/her participation in said tournament and/or VIP Party, even if caused by the acts or omissions of others.

*Any dispute that may arise will be addressed by a committee member and his decision will be honored.*

*Final Results may be subject to polygraph testing.*

*Participants must agree and adhere to these rules to participate in this event.*